Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 17 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 18 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 17 Dec 2020 at 03:04

Confidence: High for Thursday. High for changeable conditions to continue into the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 17 Dec 2020: Mainly dry, rain spreading from the west by late afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 17 Dec 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
<05%	10%	20%	70%	30%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 17 Dec 2020

Weather: Mainly dry in the morning. Dry for the first part of the afternoon before extensive low cloud spreads from the west, with some rain developing for a time late afternoon. Turning drier into the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 700m: 80% for the first part of the day with summits largely clear of cloud, but 20% later with low cloud becoming extensive down to 600 metres.

Visibility: Generally good, moderate in rain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	29/38 SW	29/40 SW	26/36 S	29/41 S	37/53 S	29/41 SW	25/34 SW
300	11/21 SW	10/21 SW	9/19 S	15/28 S	21/38 S	16/29 SW	13/23 SW
Valley	9/22 SW	7/19 SW	6/17 S	12/26 S	17/34 S	13/26 S	10/21 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-4	2/-5	3/-3	5/-0	7/1	7/2	7/2
300	4/0	4/0	5/2	7/4	8/4	9/5	8/5
Valley	6/2	5/2	6/5	8/5	9/6	10/7	9/7
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1400m	1800m	2200m	1800m	1800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Risk of gales at height, especially by afternoon with winds gusting to 50 mph on the highest tops.

Forecast for Friday 18 Dec 2020

Weather: Mostly dry in the morning, although areas of low cloud may come and go. Wet weather will spread quickly north across the Mournes in the afternoon before it becomes drier in the evening. Windy with strong southerly winds.

Maximum wind: Gusts to 50 to 60 mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 700m: Chance of some cloud free summits in the morning, but these breaks in the cloud sheet likely to be short lived, with extensive low cloud down to 400 metres expected in the afternoon.

Visibility: Mostly good in the morning, but becoming poor in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 7 rising to 11 Celsius
At 700m: Plus 8 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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